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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



In re Application of: Clayton
Serial No.: 09/682,624
Filed: September 28, 2001
Confirmation No.: 2281
For: **GASTROSTOMY TUBE BAND**

Examiner: Micheal A. Brown
Art Unit: 3764

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

In response to the Office Action mailed March 19, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as shown. In addition, please provide a three-month Extension of Time up to and including September 16, 2004 to answer the Office Action as provided for in 37 CFR 1.136. A check of \$475.00 for the Extension of Time fee is enclosed.

If any further Extension of Time or additional fees for the accompanying response are required, Applicant requests that this be considered a Petition therefor. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees that may be required to Deposit Account 501923.

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